

"In the mean time, the unfortunate Cæsar was kicked and knocked about, fared hard, and exposed to all weathers; and, whenever he failed in his duty of attending the sheep, he was sure to get a most sound flogging. By these means he began to grow hardy, and being often obliged to fight the wolves in defence of his own life, he at last grew so courageous and faithful in his business, that he got highly into favour.

"The gentleman again having occasion to visit his estates, took Pompey with him. When he called at the farmer's house, he was surprised to see, to what a lean and rough condition the poor Cæsar was now reduced. Pompey, in his turn, now looked with contempt on his brother Cæsar, and took very little notice of him.

"It so happened, that the gentleman again went through the same wood, and was in like manner beset by a wolf.

Pompey,

Pompey, who was walking very stately by the side of his master, at the sight of the wolf, hung his tail between his legs, and sneaked off. Cæsar, who had followed at an humble distance, now sprung forward, and after a most obstinate attack, in which the poor dog received many wounds, he at last killed the wolf.

"I am now fully convinced, (said the gentleman to the farmer, who came up soon afterwards) that courage and activity are not to be expected from those, who live a life of luxury and indolence; and that a life of labour and exercise is the best calculated to make us useful to ourselves, and the community at large."

Florella having now finished her story, the Squire handed her a large quantity of fruit, and was highly delighted with the pretty manner in which she had read it.

The little Amintor observed, that, when he thanked God, he was now both courageous and active, and if he should be-

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